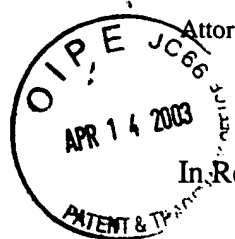


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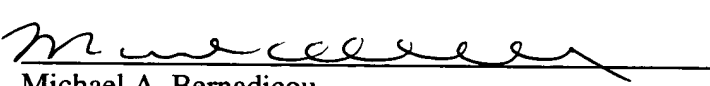
In response to the Election Requirement mailed March 24, 2003, applicant(s) hereby elects to prosecute Group I claims, claims 1-10 and 19-20 drawn to an apparatus comprising a plurality of metallized planes. As such, applicant(s) elects to withdraw Group II claims, claims 11-18 drawn to a method of patterning metal coating on the dielectric core.

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